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SRI M. PALANIYANDI: லைசென்ஸ் கொடுக்காத இடங்களிலும் சர்க்கார் முதலாளிகளிடமிருந்து சட்டத்திற்கு புறம்பாக வரி வசூலிக்கிறார்களா ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : தனியாக ஒரு கேள்வி போட்டால் பதில் அளிக்கப்படும்.

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : சமீபத்தில் திருநெல்வேலி ஜில்லாவிலுள்ள ராமய்யாபுரத்தில் ஏராளமான சுண்ணாம்பு கல் கிடைக்கிறபடியால், அங்கே ஒரு செமெண்டு தொழிற்சாலை ஏற்படுத்துவதற்கு சர்க்காருக்கு ஏதாவது தகவல் வந்திருக்கிறதா ? அப்படி வந்திருந்தால் சர்க்கார் என்ன நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்போகிறது ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALM : என்னிடம் இதைப்பற்றி ஒரு தகவலும் வரவில்லை.

Village Officers

* 3045 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Government have appointed a Cabinet Sub-Committee to go into the question of the service conditions, etc., of the Village Officers and if so, whether the Committee has submitted any report?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Yes. The Government have appointed a Cabinet Sub-Committee. The Sub-Committee has not yet submitted its report.

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Sir, this is a problem which has been engaging the active consideration of the Government for a long time. May we know whether any decision on this subject will be taken before the present Budget session and whether it will indicate the working of the mind of the Government in respect of the status of the village officials?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Sir, the mind is working all right. The Sub-Committee is expected to meet next week or so to consider the matter.

9-40 a.m. SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : May I know from the Hon. Minister whether the organizations of village officers in the various districts were given an opportunity to represent their case properly before the Sub-Committee constituted for the purpose of redressing the grievances of village officers?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Yes, Sir. A questionnaire was issued and representations from the Village Officers Associations and also from others will be heard.

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will this House be given an opportunity to discuss the proposals of the Sub-Committee?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : I am afraid I cannot answer that question now.

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Sri A. M. RATHNASWAMY : Are the Government convinced that the continuance of the system of hereditary village officers is conducive to administrative efficiency and, if not, have they any proposal to substitute it by a better system of recruitment of village officers?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU : All these questions will be gone into.

Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP : May I know whether the Sub-Committee was appointed to take decision or to postpone decision on the subject?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU : I do not know why the hon. Member always looks at things in a crooked way.

Sri P. G. MANICKAM : கிராம சிப்பந்திகளும் அவர்களுடைய குறைபாடுகளை மந்திரி சபையின் உப கமிட்டிக்குத் தெரிவித்திருக்கிறார்கள். அவர்களுடைய குறைபாடுகள் நிவர்த்திக்க கவர்ன்மெண்டார் நடவடிக்கை எடுப்பார்களா என்பதை அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்.

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU : என்னென்ன நடவடிக்கைகள் எடுக்கவேண்டுமோ அவைகளைப்பற்றி தர்க்க ஆலோசனை செய்து எடுப்பார்கள்.

Cases of the Members of the Legislature in Courts during Legislature Sessions

* 3046 *Q*.—Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR (on behalf of Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government have made any request to the Madras High Court to instruct the subordinate courts to accommodate the members of the Legislature in regard to their cases when they are attending the Legislature sessions?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : Yes, Sir.

The High Court considers that this matter should be left to the discretion of the judicial officers who will be as accommodating as possible.

Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Our past experience has been that certain difficulties have arisen owing to the stand taken by some of the Subordinate Judges in the mufassal and the Government themselves have interfered on certain occasions. Will the Government see that instructions are issued through the High Court of Madras to the Subordinate Judges to the effect that the members be exempted from personal attendance in the court during the time of the Legislature session?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : I am sorry the hon. Member is under a misapprehension; the Government have never interfered with the judicial proceedings in the court. As far exemption from personal appearance, the matter is governed by the Procedure Codes. Therefore I am sorry I cannot give an assurance that every member will be exempted from personal appearance. Such an exemption may itself create difficulties.